Rest Area ADA Improvements

Questions & Answers #2

MDOT JN 205198

- Q1. Will we be required to obtain permits? If so, through local municipalities or just through the state?
- A1. The Design-Builder will be required to obtain any permits required. All permits will be through the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA). Link to LARA permits division: https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334 10575 33813 84743---,00.html
- Q2. Who will have jurisdiction or will be setting the rules for this project?
- A2. The State of Michigan (MDOT) will have jurisdiction and set the requirements for the project in the Request for Proposals (RFP). Any work requiring building, plumbing, electrical, or mechanical permits through LARA will be inspected through LARA to verify conformance with the Michigan Building Codes. MDOT will inspect work to verify ADA compliance.
- Q3. Who will we have to satisfy, answer to, and/or be responsible to for this project?
- A3. The contract will be with MDOT, and the RFP will contain the contract requirements for design and construction activities.
- Q4. Who will be inspecting the sites for the state?
- A4. MDOT is currently in the process of selecting a Consultant to provide Construction Engineering services for this project. Any required permits will necessitate the proper authority's approval.
- Q5. If we run into a situation where there is no feasible solution or its not cost effective to correct a certain ADA deficiency at a site, how will this be handled?
- A5. The Rest Areas are covered by the ADA 2010 standards, which define technical infeasibility with respect to an alteration of a building or a facility. It is MDOT's intent to comply with the standards to the maximum extent technically feasible. The Design-Builder will be required to complete the technical infeasibility assessment and related form for MDOT approval and documentation purposes.
- Q6. Does the cover letter required as part of the SOQ need to follow a specific format?
- A6. No, there is not a specific format required for the cover letter, it just needs to meet the requirements of Section 3.1 of the RFQ.
- Q7. What if a Major Participant changes or is removed after SOQ's are submitted?

A7.	If there are changes to the organizational structure (including Major Participants) of a Submitter's SOQ then these must be approved by MDOT as described in Section 2.8 of the RFQ.